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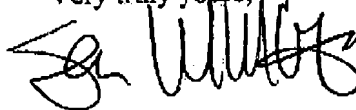
Re: Enclosed Supplemental Amendment  
U.S. Patent Application Serial No.: 09/987,194  
Our Reference: LIN.003

Dear Examiner O'Connor:

In response to our teleconference of today, enclosed is a Supplemental Amendment, which we request that you enter and which should place the above-referenced case in condition for allowance.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration on this case.

Very truly yours,



Sean M. McGinn

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Enclosure

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
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**SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper. No new matter has been added.

**Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.